IN THE CLAIMS

1.   (Currently Amended) A ~~voice~~ speech recognition unit, comprising:

a plurality of speech recognition dictionaries mutually hierarchically related;

an extractor that extracts a desired dictionary, the frequency of use of which is high, out

of said speech recognition dictionaries as a list of queuing words;

a selector that selects [[a]] the desired dictionary out of the speech recognition

dictionaries;

a storage that stores the desired dictionary selected by said selector as a list of queuing

words at a higher-order hierarchy than a hierarchy set beforehand together with [[the]] a normal

dictionary extracted by said extractor; and

a recognizer that recognizes input ~~voice~~ speech by comparing the input ~~voice~~ speech and

the list of queuing words stored in said storage.

2.   (Currently Amended) ~~A voice~~ The speech recognition unit according to Claim 1,

wherein said plurality of speech recognition dictionaries comprises:

a classification dictionary storing [[the]] classification names of institutions; and

an institution dictionary storing [[the]] names of institutions which belong to ~~a type of~~

~~institutions every type~~ respective classifications of institutions.

3.   (Currently Amended) ~~A voice~~ The speech recognition unit according to Claim 1, wherein

said plurality of speech recognition dictionaries comprises:

an area dictionary storing area names; and

an institution dictionary storing the names of institutions existing in ~~any area every area~~ <u>respective areas</u>.

4.　(Currently Amended) ~~A voice~~ <u>The speech</u> recognition unit according to Claim 2, wherein said selector selects the institution dictionary as [[a]] <u>the</u> desired dictionary.

5.　(Currently Amended) ~~4. A voice~~ <u>The speech</u> recognition unit according to Claim 3, wherein said selector selects the institution dictionary as [[a]] <u>the</u> desired dictionary.

6.　(Currently Amended) ~~A voice~~ <u>The speech</u> recognition unit according to Claim 4, wherein said extractor extracts a dictionary at a low-order hierarchy of recognized voice as queuing words; and

wherein said extractor extracts a dictionary which belongs to a dictionary selected by said selector and which is located at a low-order hierarchy of the recognized voice extracts as queuing words.

7.　(Currently Amended) ~~A voice~~ <u>The speech</u> recognition unit according to Claim 5, wherein said extractor extracts a dictionary at a low-order hierarchy of recognized voice as queuing words; and

wherein said extractor extracts a dictionary which belongs to a dictionary selected by said selector and which is located at a low-order hierarchy of the recognized voice extracts as queuing

words.

8.   (Currently Amended) A ~~voice~~ speech recognition method for a ~~voice~~ speech recognition

unit having a plurality of speech recognition dictionaries mutually hierarchically related, said

method comprising the steps of:

preparing dictionaries classified according to at least one narrowing-down condition set

by a user beforehand together with a dictionary for narrowing down at a high-order hierarchy as

objects of recognition; and

recognizing input ~~voice~~ speech by using the dictionaries classified according to at least

one [[the]] narrowing-down condition set by a user beforehand and the dictionary for narrowing

down at a high-order hierarchy,

wherein the dictionaries classified according to at least one narrowing-down condition set

by a user beforehand are dictionaries the frequency of use of which is high.

9.   (Canceled)

10.   (Currently Amended) A ~~voice~~ speech recognition unit, comprising:

a plurality of speech recognition dictionaries mutually hierarchically related;

an extractor that extracts a desired dictionary out of the speech recognition dictionaries as

a list of queuing words;

a storage that stores the list of queuing words in the dictionary extracted by said

extractor; and

a recognizer that recognizes input ~~voice~~ <u>speech</u> by comparing the input ~~voice~~ <u>speech</u> and

the list of queuing words stored in said storage;

wherein when ~~voice~~ <u>speech</u> is recognized by said recognizer, said extractor extracts a

dictionary at a low-order hierarchy of recognized ~~voice~~ <u>speech</u> as queuing words and said storage

stores the <u>low-order</u> dictionary extracted by said extractor; [[and]]

a queuing word related to the recognized ~~voice~~ <u>speech</u> out of the queuing words stored in

said storage when the ~~voice~~ <u>speech</u> is recognized is stored as an object of comparison in

succession<u>, and</u>

<u>a dictionary classified according to at least one narrowing-down condition set by a user</u>

<u>beforehand, the frequency of use of which is high</u>.

11.   (Currently Amended) A ~~voice~~ <u>speech</u> recognition method for recognizing input ~~voice~~

<u>speech</u> by extracting a desired dictionary out of a plurality of speech recognition dictionaries

mutually hierarchically related as a list of queuing words, storing the list of queuing words in the

extracted dictionary and comparing input ~~voice~~ <u>speech</u> and the list of the stored queuing words,

said method comprising the steps of:

extracting a dictionary at a low-order hierarchy of recognized ~~voice~~ <u>speech</u> when ~~voice~~

<u>speech</u> is recognized;

storing the extracted dictionary; [[and]]

storing a queuing word related to the recognized ~~voice~~ <u>speech</u> out of the queuing words

stored when the ~~voice~~ <u>speech</u> is recognized as an object of comparison in succession<u>, and</u>

<u>extracting a dictionary classified according to at least one narrowing-down condition set</u>

by a use beforehand, the frequency of use of which is high.